

road to Vettattu *kadavu* was prepared on 20-1-1930. The estimate for the other road also was prepared about the same time.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): Was anything further done during these two years?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Yes, it has been given in the answer. Detailed estimates have also been prepared. The Chief Engineer was asked to peg out the line of the road; the Section Officer went to the place, pegged out the line and pointed it out to the Revenue authorities.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): When was this pegging out finished?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Information regarding the exact date is not available in the file before me.

Opening of a road from Trikunnapuzha to Tottapalli.

14. MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether representations have been received by them for the construction of a road from Trikunnapuzha to Tottapalli?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): No. The matter was, however, moved by Mr. R. Kesava Pillai at the meeting of the Central Road Board held on 12-12-1930 and it was referred to the District Board, Quilon, for consideration. This work was not included in the priority list recommended by that Board.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): May I know whether the Division Officer visited that place to ascertain the necessity for the road?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): The Chief Engineer has reported that there is no necessity, at present, for that road from Trikunnapuzha to Tottapalli.

PRESIDENT: Answer his question, please.

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Definite information as to whether the Division Officer actually visited the place or not, is not now before me. But I think the Division Officer must have visited the place. From the report of the Chief Engineer, it is seen that his report has been based on the report of the Executive Engineer. The Executive Engineer would not have submitted such a report without actually inspecting the place.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): Am I to understand that special instructions have been issued to the effect that the Executive Engineer must submit his report only after personal inspection?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): That is what I presume from a perusal of the report of the Chief Engineer.

Head Constables in an overloaded bus.

15. MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

[Mr. E. V. Krishna Pillai.]

(a) whether any report has been received by the authorities concerned from the Inspector of Police, Paravur, that a motor bus named "Sri Rama Vilas", plying between Quilon and Trivandrum, was found overloaded on 26-10-1107;

(b) whether it has been alleged in that report that two Head Constables, Nos. 255 and 1410, were in the bus at the time; and

(c) the nature of the action taken against these two Head Constables?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) The two Head Constables are placed under suspension and the District Superintendent of Police, Quilon, has been asked to give a personal hearing himself, or to direct the Assistant Superintendent of Police to do so, and forward the papers to the Commissioner of Police with the District Superintendent's recommendation.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): It is stated in part (c) of the answer that the District Superintendent of Police, Quilon, has been asked to give a personal hearing himself. I wish to know who is to be given the personal hearing and on what subject.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The District Superintendent is to give a personal hearing to those who have been charged with some irregularities.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): Does the Chief Secretary refer to those who are alleged to have been traveling in the overloaded buses?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Witnesses also may be called. That is also contemplated in the order asking him to give a personal hearing.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know from whom the information as to the offences committed by the Head Constables was obtained by the authorities?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have not got the information now before me. I have with me only the report of the Commissioner of Police on the matter. How he got the information I am not in a position to say.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): Am I to take it that the Government want to subject that report of the Commissioner of Police to further scrutiny by the District Superintendent?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Government want to go to the bottom of the whole question. After all it may turn out that there was only a petition from some individual or other. The persons alleged to have committed the offences have been placed under suspension pending enquiry. It is therefore considered necessary to investigate and find out the truth of the allegations.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): Am I to take it that the member is not in a position to state the exact source of the information received by the Police Commissioner?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That information is not now before me.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): It is contained in my question itself. That is that it was the Inspector of Police, Paravur, that made this allegation against the Head Constables. Under the circumstances, may I know why the District Superintendent of Police, Quilon, thought it necessary to give a personal hearing to the constables concerned?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Because he thought it necessary in the interest of justice.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know the circumstances under which such a course was adopted?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Because it makes allegations against Government officers, they are entitled to a hearing.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know whether the Police Inspector will also be heard as a party?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I cannot say that.

Rules for the award of grants-in-aid to Ayurveda schools.

16. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): With reference to the answer to question No. 36, asked at the meeting of the Council, held on the 5th August 1930, will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether rules regarding recognition of, and grants-in-aid to, private Ayurveda schools have been passed, and, if so, the date of the same; and

(b) if the answer to part (a) is in the affirmative, whether the question of granting recognition and grant-in-aid to the Ayurveda school at Tattarambalam has been considered?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (a) The answer is in the negative.

(b) In view of the answer to part (a), this does not arise.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): May I know when the rules were called for?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The rules were pending with the Ayurveda Department. The original idea was to call for a report after the Ayurveda Board was constituted. Now that the idea of forming a Board has been abandoned, the Inspector of Vaidyasalas has been asked to make a report.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): In answer to my previous question referred to, it was stated that the Inspector in charge, Ayurveda Department, had been asked to submit the report one year previous to that question.